

Terry Goddard Attorney General

Office of Victim Services

August 17, 2006

RE: <u>State v. Hoover, Lawrence Dwain</u> Cause Number: <u>CR2001-006183</u>

## Dear B.F.A. Investor:

This letter is to inform you that plea negotiations are in progress with the above-named defendant for a non-trial resolution of the case. The State has proposed a plea agreement that will allow the defendant to plead guilty to Count 1: Fraudulent Schemes and Artifices, a Class 2 Felony. Under State law, the defendant will be subject to a possible penalty range of 3 years minimum to 12.5 years maximum imprisonment. Probation **is** available.

The plea agreement stipulates to the following additional term:

• Defendant agrees to pay a fine of \$500,000.00 to be designated as restitution and the total amount the Defendant shall pay, whether designated as a fine, restitution or any combination thereof, shall not exceed \$500,000.00.

A change of plea hearing has been scheduled for **August 18, 2006 at 10:30 a.m.** before the Honorable Kenneth L. Fields, Maricopa County Superior Court, Central Court Building (CCB), 201 West Jefferson, Phoenix, Arizona 85003. If the defendant agrees to the proposed terms, the judge will then decide at the change of plea hearing whether to accept or reject the plea agreement. If either the defendant or the judge rejects the plea agreement, the defendant's case will proceed to trial. If the agreement is accepted by both the defendant and the judge, a date for sentencing will be scheduled.

As a reminder, the most up to date can be obtained on the BFA website at <a href="www.azag.gov">www.azag.gov</a> or the BFA helpline at (602) 364-1275, or if you are outside Maricopa County, (866) 823-6577. We encourage you to rely on these sources for the current status of this case.

Sincerely,

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